C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825. The Examiner is requested to enter the following amendments, to consider the accompanying remarks, and to make the accompanying floppy disk of record in this matter.

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

29 (Amended). A method for inhibiting HIV infection of a cell comprising the step of contacting said cell with a composition comprising a peptide of 8 to 24 residues comprising the sequence RAFVTIGK (SEQ ID NO:5).

32 (Amended). The method of claim 31, wherein said peptide comprises the sequence RIQRGPGRAFVTIGK (SEQ ID NO:1).

34 (Amended). The method of claim 33, wherein said peptide comprises the sequence NNTRKSIRIQRGPGRAFVTIGKIG (SEQ ID NO:3).

48 (Amended). A method for inhibiting entry of HIV into a cell comprising the step of contacting said cell with a peptide of 8 to 24 residues comprising the sequence RAFVTIGK (SEQ ID NO:5).